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Growing Crops in Virginia under the
Bankrupt Law.

To the Editor of the Alexandria Gazette:

The Bankrupt act having, excepted from
transfer to the Assignee in Bankruptcy the
necessary household and kitchen furniture, and
such other articles and necessities of the bank-
rupt as the Assignee shall designate and set
apart, not exceeding in value five hundred dol-
lars; also wearing apparel of himself, wife and
children; uniform, arms and equipments of
soldiers; then adds: "and such other prop-
erty not included in the foregoing exceptions as
is exempted from levy and sale upon execution,
or other process in order of any Court by the
laws of the State in which the bankrupt has
his domicile at the time of the commencement
of the proceedings in bankruptcy, to an amount
not exceeding that allowed by such State ex-
emption laws in force in the year 1864."

Numerous decisions under the bankrupt act
concur in declaring that its recognition of the
exemption laws of each State, as they existed
in 1864, is equivalent to a re-enactment of such
laws as applicable to proceedings in bankrup-
cy. It is well known that the U. S. Dis-
trict Court of Virginia has been and is very lib-
eral in its allowances of exemptions to bankrupts,
but the exemptions under the law of this State
as they stood in 1864 are small as compared
with other States. Our Legislature in 1867 en-
larged the exemption list essentially, but un-
fortunately the bankrupt act does not recog-
nize the State law as it stood in 1867, but as
it stood in 1864. Consequently our Homestead
law does not in terms come within the exemp-
tions of the bankrupt law; and even if it did,
inasmuch as our State Courts are uniformly
declaring the homestead law unconstitutional
as to past debts, the prospect of relief through
the Homestead provision for the loss of this ex-
emption relief yet remains which has been quite
overlooked. The code of this State 1869, p.
286 enacts: "No growing crop of any kind
(not severed) shall be liable to distress or levy,
except Indian corn, which may be taken at any
time after the 15th day of October in any year."

Before severance from the land a growing
crop is as completely protected by this law
from levy and distress in behalf of its owner,
as is the bed and bedding of a housekeeper.
After severance it is not so protected. Conse-
quently if, before severance, the owner goes
into bankruptcy, his growing crop at that time
passes under the protection of exempt property
under the bankrupt law.

Its situation at that precise time, fixes its
legal condition for all future time. It exempt
then, it is always exempt. So the bankrupt
act unquestionably regards it, since it provides
(Sec. 14) that the judicial conveyance which
passes the bankrupt's property over to the as-
signee "shall relate back to the commencement
of proceedings in bankruptcy, and therefore by
operation of law the title to all such property
and estate (of the bankrupt) shall vest in said
assignee, provided, there shall be excepted from
the operation of the provisions of this section
the exemptions stated at the head of this
article, and provided, that the foregoing
exception shall operate as a limitation upon
the conveyance of the bankrupt's property to
his assignee, and in no case shall the property
hereby excepted pass to the assignee or the title
of the bankrupt thereto be impaired or
affected by any of the provisions of this act."

In other words, the legal condition of the
property attaches at the commencement of the
bankrupt proceedings; property then not ex-
empt passes to the assignee; property then ex-
empt does not pass to the assignee, but remains
in the bankrupt. Accordingly it has been de-
cided, in re. Hambricht 2 B. L. p. 157.
"The bankrupt act secures to the bankrupt
himself, free from the claims of creditors. Of
these he in fact becomes the purchaser, the
consideration for the purchase being the sur-
render of all his estate and the sanction for his
title being in the supreme law of the land."

The legal character of growing crops as an
exempt class, being once impressed and fixed
by the paramount authority of the bankrupt
act, and that law expressly declaring that "in
no case shall the property hereby excepted
pass to the assignee, or the title of the bank-
rupt thereto be impaired or affected by any of
provisions of this act," it would be illogical and
without warrant of law to hold that the bank-
rupt's title to his "growing crops," as an ex-
empt, is afterwards divested, or the property
itself made general assets by the mere natural
circumstance that the crop has fully "grown,"
or by the act of severance from the land by the
face of the above law, which expressly declares
that the bankrupt's title to exempt property
shall not be impaired or affected by any of
the provisions of the bankrupt act, as absolute
for all purposes, as any other man's property
can be his. Moreover, it is a property justified
by the highest law of the land.

If these conclusions are correct, parties con-
templating bankruptcy cannot fail to see the
vast difference it makes in their financial
condition as bankrupts, whether they commence
proceedings in bankruptcy while they are
"growing crops" or after their crops are grown
and severed, or after October 15th.

CHARLES WHITTESEY.

Alexandria, Va., August 15, 1870.

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demption at par on or before the 1st day of
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